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**UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
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(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.	26937 80165
First Inventor	Melaney Northrop
Title	Continuous Flow Watering Device for Pets
Express Mail Label No.	EL590378313US

**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 23]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive title of the invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 4]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 3]
  - a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)  
Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
  - b. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR  
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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Washington, DC 20231

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or  
Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)
  - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
  - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
    - i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
    - ii. ☐ paper
  - c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

9. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of  
(when there is an assignee) Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure ☐ Copies of IDS  
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☒ Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122  
(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35  
or its equivalent.
17. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Prior application information

Examiner \_\_\_\_\_

Group Art Unit \_\_\_\_\_

For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.**19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS**☐ Customer Number or Bar Code Label

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**REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION  
UNDER  
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

First Named Inventor

Melaney Northrop

Title

Continuous Flow Watering Device for Pets

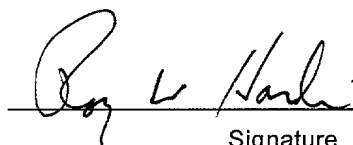
Atty Docket Number

26937 - 80165

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

June 5, 2001

Date



Signature

Roy Hardin

Typed or printed name

This request must be signed in compliance with 37 CFR 1.33(b) and submitted with the application **upon filing**.

Applicant may rescind this nonpublication request at any time. If applicant rescinds a request that an application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b), the application will be scheduled for publication at eighteen months from the earliest claimed filing date for which a benefit is claimed.

If applicant subsequently files an application directed to the invention disclosed in the attached application in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications eighteen months after filing, the applicant **must** notify the United States Patent and Trademark Office of such filing within forty-five (45) days after the date of the filing of such foreign or international application. **Failure to do so will result in abandonment of this application (35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(iii)).**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Northrop, Melaney

For: Continuous Flow Watering Device for Pets

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATE

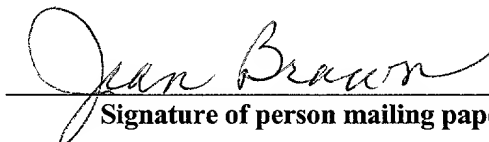
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I hereby state that the following *attached* papers and fee

Utility Patent Application Transmittal; Fee Transmittal; Request and Certification Under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i); Patent Specification (23 sheets); Informal Drawings (4 sheets); Declaration for Utility or Design Patent Application; Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet; Assignment (2 pages); return receipt postcard; check in the amount of \$1,126.00 and the Express Mail Certificate of Mailing

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# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2000

Patent fees are subject to annual revision  
Small Entity payments must be supported by a small entity statement,  
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See 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.27 and 1.28.

## Complete if Known

Application Number  
Filing Date  
First Named Inventor **Melaney Northrop**  
Examiner Name  
Group / Art Unit  
Attorney Docket No. **26937 80165**

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)**1,126.00**

## METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one)

1. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayments to:

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Under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 and 1.17

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## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101 690	201 345	Utility filing fee	<b>710.00</b>
106 310	206 155	Design filing fee	
107 480	207 240	Plant filing fee	
108 690	208 345	Reissue filing fee	
114 150	214 75	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)**710.00**

### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
<b>20**</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>216</b>
Independent Claims <b>5</b>	<b>3**</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>160</b>
Multiple Dependent			<b>0</b>

\*\*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see below

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103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20	
102 78	202 39	Independent claims in excess of 3	
104 260	204 130	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
109 78	209 39	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
110 18	210 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$)**376.00**

## FEE CALCULATION (continued)

### 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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105 130	205 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	<b>0.00</b>
127 50	227 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.	<b>0.00</b>
139 130	139 130	Non-English specification	<b>0.00</b>
147 2,520	147 2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	<b>0.00</b>
112 920*	112 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	<b>0.00</b>
113 1,840*	113 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	<b>0.00</b>
115 110	215 55	Extension for reply within first month	<b>0.00</b>
116 380	216 190	Extension for reply within second month	<b>0.00</b>
117 870	217 435	Extension for reply within third month	<b>0.00</b>
118 1,360	218 680	Extension for reply within fourth month	<b>0.00</b>
128 1,850	228 925	Extension for reply within fifth month	<b>0.00</b>
119 300	219 150	Notice of Appeal	<b>0.00</b>
120 300	220 150	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	<b>0.00</b>
121 260	221 130	Request for oral hearing	<b>0.00</b>
138 1,510	138 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	<b>0.00</b>
140 110	240 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	<b>0.00</b>
141 1,210	241 605	Petition to revive - unintentional	<b>0.00</b>
142 1,210	242 605	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	<b>0.00</b>
143 430	243 215	Design issue fee	<b>0.00</b>
144 580	244 290	Plant issue fee	<b>0.00</b>
122 130	122 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	<b>0.00</b>
123 50	123 50	Petitions related to provisional applications	<b>0.00</b>
126 240	126 240	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	<b>0.00</b>
581 40	581 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	<b>0.00</b>
146 690	246 345	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	<b>0.00</b>
149 690	249 345	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	<b>0.00</b>
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